

**Hoosier Canoe Club**  
**Minutes of the**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

Tuesday, June 3, 2010

Eagle Creek Park

**Attending:** Jim Clendenin, Mariann Davis, Dave Ellis, Dan Evard, Sue Foxx, Kellie Kaneshiro, Suzi Rapp, Roger Ritchie, Linda Smith, Jim Sprandel, Dan Valleskey

**Welcome**

After a group paddle, HCC Skipper Dan Valleskey called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the prior meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Purser's Report**

Jim Clendenin reported cash as of June 2, 2010 to be \$7,169.51 operating, \$6,082.97 savings for a total of \$13,252.48.

**Newsletter Report**

Jim Sprandel reported that last month's newsletter went out on time with 63 copies mailed and the rest electronic delivery. He presented the Board with his working outline for the July issue. He will probably run Jordan's Safety article. If anyone has an idea for an article, please contact Jim. He and Roger are working on the form design for Pay Pal for our website.

**Publicity Report**

Mariann is making efforts to get the safety article that ran in the Bloomington and South Bend papers into 8 others.

**Membership Report**

Dave Ellis reported that 78 of the 2009 members have not renewed, which is fewer non-renewals than in the past. Ed Winslow renewed from 2003.

**Poolie Report**

Jordan reported, via text, that 7 kids showed up for the Wednesday pool session.

**Eagle Creek Report**

Kellie reported that 6 people paddled on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 12 showed up June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Last week the park staff held a training session for the Public Paddle Nights. They have developed a helpful guide which can be made available to anyone who wishes to help with the public paddles. Let Kellie know if you are available. Clark Kahlo has put in 3 hours of clean up thus far. Email Kellie if you spend any time picking up trash so she can document it – an important part of our park agreement.

**Conservation Report**

Dan Evard reminded the group to meet just south of Skiles Test park, where we will begin the clean up which will then continue down to the Emerson bridge. The Fall Creek Millersville Valley group will do a shore-based cleanup at the same time. There will be a picnic following at Dan Valleskey's home on Lake Maxinhall.

**Whitewater Report**

Suzi Rapp reported that the Ridegfest was a big success with two major groups paddling the Ocoee and the Cheoah. Crush celebrated his 55<sup>th</sup> birthday. There was a Memorial Day trip to Wisconsin.

**Flatwater Report**

Sue Foxx thanked board members Dan Valleskey and Dave Ellis for instructing on the intermediate moving water clinic on May 8<sup>th</sup>. It was a very cold windy day, but undeterred, 14 people participated. Other flatwater trips the past month were the Upper Whitewater River, the South Fork of Wildcat Creek, and the Driftwood River.

### **Touring Boat Report**

Jim Sprandel reported that 12 people from the group participated in the Grayson Lake trip. Kellie Kaneshiro declared it !fantastic! – 12 miles of paddling under waterfalls and past beautiful scenery. The group met on May 29<sup>th</sup> at Eagle Creek for their open water rescue training to be led by Joel DeLashmit and Jim Sprandel. Good preparation for all those wishing to attend the Lake Michigan Paddle on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Safety and Training Report**

Terry Busch had some “no shows” for the Intro to Paddling class. No one showed up for Phase II.

### **Safety Outreach 2010**

Progress is being made on the poster. It will feature a frog and there will be 6 main points.

### **Further Items for Discussion:**

Summer Meeting Locale: Jim Sprandel queried whether the turnout for the summer meeting would be good at Lake Monroe, the second consecutive year. Sue Foxx’s opinion was that if you pick a decent place to paddle, you’ll get a good turnout. After some discussion, it was decided that we would paddle, on July 24<sup>th</sup>, the White River in Indianapolis between The Art Center and the Rocky Ripple community center, where we would have our cookout-pitchin, if Dan Valleskey could make the arrangements.

Lost Rivers Company: An opportunity! The owner of this company is willing to drop people, with their boats, in seemingly inaccessible stream sections via his jet boat so that they could then paddle back to their cars. No shuttle necessary. He has contacted our skipper and it is worth looking into. There would be a charge for this service.

HOEx: Dan Valleskey has attended 3 meetings thus far and has arranged for the Club’s involvement to be a little less intensive this year. We will run groups of 4-6 boats .7 miles down the river, alternately kayak and canoe. A log jam cleanup will occur prior to the event so the river will be easier for new paddlers to navigate. Paddling on the pond will be handled by another group.

Newsletter Editor: Our skipper has issued another plea for a new newsletter editor. Dan Evard has volunteered to do the graphics and layout. If a content person does not come forward, the FW, WW, Fishing and BW chairs will have to take responsibility for getting write-ups, trip reports and articles turned in.

Next Year’s Board: Dan asked that he or Terry be notified as to whether current board members wish to continue and if they wish to hold an office. Skipper, Ex O and Yeoman positions will have to be filled for the upcoming year.

ACA - AW: ACA would like their logo on our website and would like for us to make available their applications to our membership.

Free Club Memberships to other Clubs: Currently the Ft. Wayne club gets our newsletter and we get theirs. Free newsletters also go to TSRA, NOC and the local outfitters.

“Paddle Indianapolis” Guide: There are so many inquiries regarding local paddling that Dan V. thought that a guide of this nature would be very useful. Anyone interested in putting this together?

**The next board meeting will be Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. Time and location to be announced.**  
(Any urgent business will be discussed at the summer meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup>.)

With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Smith, Yeoman